

Early Learning and Childcare Facility Inspection Report

Type of Inspection:
Monitoring Inspection

Pursuant to section 21 of the *Early Childhood Services Act*, operators of licensed early learning and childcare facilities must post their most recent inspection report in a clearly visible and prominent place in the facility.

Name of operator LITTLE HARVARD EARLY LEARNING CENTRE INC	Licence Number 2017973	Inspection Date October 09, 2024
Facility Name LITTLE HARVARD AFTER SCHOOL HAVELOCK CAMPUS		Telephone Number (506) 632-1300
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Robyn Nelson		Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
31(3) An operator shall maintain the outdoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children. Comments: The chain link outdoor fence is damaged and requires repair or replacement. Litter is accumulating under the deck, to be cleaned.	31(3)	Oct 03, 2024	
33(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall provide outdoor play area materials and equipment that are varied and in sufficient quantity for the number and ages of the children receiving services at the licensed facility. Comments: A sufficient quantity of materials and equipment ensures the availability of enough play resources for each age group served, avoiding excessive competition and long waits for children. New items are added regularly to ensure that children are provided with new learning opportunities. Outdoor play area materials and equipment are safe, age appropriate, functional and in sufficient quantity to encourage the children to be active and involved in activities	33(1)	Oct 03, 2024	
50(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall maintain a chronologically filed daily incident log relating to the health, security and well-being of the children receiving services at the licensed facility. Comments: A daily incident log is required for incidents that do not need emergency medical attention but may require minor first aid (for example, bumps, scrapes, minor cuts and bites). Incident logs are to be filed chronologically by date in a folder or binder so that ELC licensing staff can easily access the information.	50(1)	Oct 03, 2024	
50(2) The operator of a licensed facility shall inform the parent or guardian of a child involved in an incident on the day the incident takes place and shall ensure that the parent or guardian signs the daily log to confirm their awareness. Comments: The parent has signed the daily log of non-reportable incidents the day of incident.	50(2)	Oct 03, 2024	

General Comments
A Monitoring Inspection occurred on October 3, 2024. Children were observed during their transition to the center, engaging in both indoor and outdoor free play.

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Educators were seen interacting with the children, asking thoughtful questions and expanding on the ideas presented by the children. They also incorporated their own interests into their documentation, creating a personalized and engaging learning environment.

The facility had a clearly visible and prominent space to post the license, current inspection report, monitoring reports, and any orders for compliance. The room was well-organized and inviting, with materials arranged to encourage children's play. Books chosen to reflect the children's interests were available, and well-defined learning and play areas were observed. Several pieces of the children's artwork were displayed throughout the facility, showcasing creativity. Toxic products, such as chemical cleaners, were safely locked away and inaccessible to children. Drinking water was made available throughout the day, and allergy information for children was posted for staff awareness.

The program provided a variety of opportunities for individual and group experiences, allowing children to express their creativity, explore arts and sciences, experience accomplishments, problem-solve, and develop trusting, respectful, and supportive relationships.

A conversation with the Administrator highlighted both the strengths and areas for improvement within the facility. Strengths included educators extending the curriculum outdoors and making efforts to bring the natural world into the classroom. A variety of unique play activities were evident, and educators were involved in creating imaginative and special projects alongside the children.

However, several needs were identified: educators should circulate during indoor and outdoor play to engage with groups of children, ensuring proper supervision and active participation in play. Documentation and art displays should be regularly updated to reflect recent activities, with the names and dates of educators included. Additionally, more outdoor materials should be added to ensure all children have the opportunity to participate in diverse play activities.

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Robyn Nelson

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

October 03, 2024

Date

original signed by
Kerry-Anne Morris

Signature of Operator/Designate

October 03, 2024

Date